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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Koji YAMADA et al.

Art Unit: 1742

Application No.: 10/521,818

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Filed: January 21, 2005

Attorney Dkt. No.: 12065-0020

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECOVERING PLATINUM GROUP  
ELEMENTS (AS AMENDED)

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 29, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated, July 6, 2005 (copy enclosed), Applicant resubmits the Preliminary Amendment originally filed on January 21, 2005 in proper format as set forth in 68 Fed. Reg. 38611 dated June 30, 2003.

Prior to examination on the merits of the above-identified application, please amend the application as set forth below.

**Amendments to the specification are submitted on page 2.**

**Remarks are submitted on page 3.**